JULY 2023

SHIRE OF MUNDARING



FROM THE SHIRE PRESIDENT

July was off to a great start with NAIDOC celebrations held across the country. This year's theme was 'For our Elders' and was an opportunity for us to acknowledge and thank local Elders for their contributions in supporting community resilience and wellbeing.

Council was pleased to see the Economic Development and Tourism Informing Strategy adopted in June. We are looking forward to building great partnerships with businesses and stakeholders across the shire. As a way to assist local tourism, one of our first initiatives is to provide support to the Mundaring Garden and Farmers Market. I encourage you to support local and head off to enjoy the friendly, vibrant atmosphere of the market every Saturday at Sculpture Park, 9am to 1pm.

With the close of the 2022/2023 financial year, we are working hard towards finalising the new budget for 2023/2024. Please note, the budget is anticipated to be adopted a bit later than usual in mid to late August. Ratepayers can expect to receive rates notices after this date.

Residents and visitors to Lake Leschenaultia are advised that Reflections Coffee and Kiosk is now closed until further notice. Council has taken the difficult decision to lessen the impact of increasing costs in this year's rates and has provided direction as part of the annual budget setting process to cease Shire operation of the kiosk from 1 July. The Shire is actively seeking alternative providers including mobile vendors and/or a private operator for the kiosk.

In operational news, our Containers for Change Refund Point located at the Mundaring Community Recycling Centre on Coppin Road received high praise for its operation and safety during a recent audit. I would like to remind all community, groups, clubs and charities to find out more about the benefits of partnering with our local facility. You will receive support to help with your fundraising efforts, and the team can assist with setting up donation points and scheduled pick-ups. Call us or email **c4c@mundaring.wa.gov.au** for information.

Community groups involved with supporting young people are now able to apply for a grant of up to \$25,000 through our Youth Engagement Partnership Fund. Visit **mundaring.wa.gov.au/yepf** for information.

James Martin Shire President



Mundaring Multi-Purpose Community Facility: Choose your preferred concept

Following extensive community and stakeholder engagement, two concept sketch options for the Mundaring Multi-Purpose Community Facility (MPCF) and Civic/Cultural Precinct Master Plan have been unveiled.

Shire of Mundaring residents, businesses and stakeholders are invited to have their say on the options and identify their preferred concept. The survey is currently open and closes on **Thursday 13 July.**

To complete the survey visit **engage.mundaring.wa.gov.au** or access a hard copy survey from the Hub of the Hills, Shire Administration Centre or Shire libraries.

For enquiries, contact the Senior Project Officer on (08) 9290 6707 or via email **mpcf@mundaring.wa.gov.au**



1 Ordinary Council Meeting

The July Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on **Tuesday 11 July** at 6.30pm at the Shire Administration Building. The Agenda is available on the website, Administration Building or at our libraries. Meetings will be live streamed via the Shire's website **mundaring.wa.gov.au/councillivestreams-and-recordings**

2 Inclusive Events

Civic Reception Room, **Wednesday 12 July** 6pm to 8.30pm. This **free** workshop is recommended for any group planning a community event in the shire. Learn how to plan and deliver successful events where all people feel welcomed and included. Register at Eventbrite.

Wild Mundaring Photo Competition

The competition for amateur and professional wildlife photography enthusiasts closes on **Saturday 15 July.** Visit **bit.ly/WildMundaring** to enter.



4 To Dwell in Unity with Dr Chris Berry

Boya Community Centre, **Monday 24 July** 10.30am to 11.45am. What is now Shire of Mundaring began as the Greenmount Roads Board in 1903. 'To Dwell in Unity' is an award-winning history of local government in WA written to commemorate its 150th anniversary. Dr Berry will share stories and events across these 150 years, including some of Shire of Mundaring's unique stories. Bookings essential at **Eventbrite.**

5 The Nature of the Jarrah Forest by Eric and Janine McCrum

Boya Community Centre, **Monday 31 July**, 10.30am to 12pm. Eric and Janine McCrum, have produced a hardback guide describing the plants and animals that occur in the Jarrah Forest. Writer Elizabeth Lewis will interview Eric and Janine about the writing of the book, and some of the unique stories around it. The Nature of the Jarrah Forest is full of beautiful photographs, and will be available for purchase on the day. Bookings essential at **Eventbrite.**



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